

Appendix F: Tribal Consultation

Tribal consultation with the Shoshone-Bannock Tribes was initiated with a direct invitation to the agency scoping meeting (Merger Meeting 1) held on 31 May 2000. In a telephone conversation with the consultant's public involvement specialist, the Tribes responded that they might attend. The agency meeting minutes were sent to the Tribes by U.S. mail about 1 week after the meeting.

The Tribes were also notified by letter and/or e-mail of each of the other agency and public meetings held during the project planning process. The minutes from the two Merger Accord meetings held on 11 January and 9 May 2001 were sent to the Tribes about 1 week after each meeting.

The project team has received input from Tribal contacts affected by the project. This input has been useful in helping the project team balance and prioritize the alternatives to meet the needs of the public as a whole. All comments will be considered before FHWA issues a decision on the project.

Table F-1 below, Cheyenne Corridor Tribal Consultation Summary, provides a comprehensive summary of tribal consultation from 17 April 2001 through 12 May 2005. Correspondence between FHWA, ITD, the City of Pocatello, the consultant, and the Shoshoni-Bannock Tribes is listed in this table.

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Table F-1. Cheyenne Corridor Tribal Consultation Summary

Date	From	To	Summary
April 17, 2001	Russell Jorgenson, Field Operations Engineer, FHWA	Lionel Boyer, Chair, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	Notification about the Cheyenne project, "begin government-to-government consultation," solicitation of information regarding cultural resources in APE, suggesting that ITD would be the best contact.
May 17, 2001	Claudeo Broncho, Vice-Chairman, Shoshone-Bannock Tribe	Russell Jorgenson, Field Operations Engineer, FHWA	Statement that required government to government consultation has not been met; objection to project because of traditional, cultural and historical significance of APE; statement that entire Portneuf Valley is inside original Reservation; request for a meeting with State FHWA director so FHWA may present project and request that copies of project info to be sent to Tribal Planning staff and a public meeting at Fort Hall Reservation.
May 21, 2001	Diana Yupe, Tribal Anthropologist, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Heritage Tribal Office	Russell Jorgenson, Field Operations Engineer, FHWA	Provided technical comments on the project-several sensitive properties exist within APE; the area is a TCP, APE is within ceded territory of Shoshone-Bannock people; coordination between FHWA and tribal government will be necessary and differs from technical coordination with project representatives.
May 30, 2001	Russell Jorgenson, Field Operations Engineer, FHWA	Claudeo Broncho, Vice-Chairman, Shoshone-Bannock Tribe	Proposal of meeting dates with the project study team, ITD officials, Tribal representatives and FHWA; declined public meeting on Reservation; proposed to correspond with Ms. Yupe and copy the Vice-Chairman.
July 5, 2001	Russell Jorgenson, Field Operations Engineer, FHWA	Blaine Edmo, Chairman, Fort Hall Tribal Council	Proposal of meeting dates with the project study team, ITD officials, Tribal representatives and FHWA.
August 3, 2001	Russell Jorgenson, Field Operations Engineer, FHWA	Blaine Edmo, Chairman, Fort Hall Tribal Council	Proposal of meeting dates with the project study team, ITD officials, Tribal representatives and FHWA; notification that two prior requests have been unanswered.
August 30, 2001			Meeting -focused on improving Federal government consultation with Tribes. Tribes reiterated that entire Portneuf Valley is considered ceded land and a TCP.
August 31, 2001	Brent Inghram, FHWA	FHWA personnel	Meeting Notes -Government to government should be between US gov't and Tribal Gov't. It is inappropriate for FHWA staff to request meetings/meeting dates, etc. Policies must be set guiding how to do gov't to gov't consultation. All project plans must go back to the beginning and proceed with proper consultation and Tribal input. Tribe did not receive any letters.
August 31, 2001			Proposal of meeting dates between Fort Hall Tribal Council and FHWA.
September 12, 2001			Meeting -focused on the Tribes' perceived lack of consultation with FHWA and ITD and violation of treaty rights. Tribe expressed concerns about petroglyph removal.
October 24, 2001			Field Visit -participants decided to shift the Shoshoni South Modified alignment away from petroglyph panels.
January 3, 2002	Diana Yupe, Tribal Anthropologist, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Heritage Tribal Office	James Orner, ITD D-5	Information on the new date and the location of the January 22, 2002 meeting.
January 22, 2002			Meeting -Tribes want more information about the project and expected impacts. ITD explained that the Shoshoni South Modified alignment had been shifted to minimize petroglyph impacts. The Tribes questioned the need for the project.
January 30, 2002	Brent Inghram, FHWA	FHWA personnel	Meeting Notes -Tribal Chairman and Anthropologist and others were there to hear project plans. Technical meeting. No resolution was reached regarding this project or government to government consultation.
February 25, 2002	John Buttenob, Project Manager, HDR Engineering	Blaine Edmo, Chairman, Fort Hall Tribal Council	Information Packet - Four packets of information containing project related material were provided to the tribe for their review and comment. Packet contained same material that was provided to Citizen Advisory Committee, a committee of which the tribe was invited to participate. Information was provided in response to tribe requesting more information about the project at the January 22, 2002 meeting.
July 5, 2002	Denise Stark, District five Environmental Planner, ITD	Diana Yupe, Tribal Anthropologist, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes Heritage Tribal Office	Transmittal letter for the AHSR for Ms. Yupe's review.
September 11, 2002	Pam Demo, Archeologist, ITD HQ	Duane Thompson, Planner, Transportation Department, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	Transmittal letter for Pam's letter regarding the draft AHSR. Invites Thompson to call HQ with any questions.
January 3, 2003	Roger Chase, Mayor, City of Pocatello	Blaine Edmo, Chairman, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	Letter requesting comments on connector route to South 5th Avenue.
April 7, 2003	Denise Stark, District five Environmental Planner, ITD	LaRae Buckskin, Cultural Resources, Heritage Tribal Office, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	Transmittal letter for AHSR.
May 19, 2003	Denise Stark, District five Environmental Planner, ITD	LaRae Buckskin, Cultural Resources, Heritage Tribal Office, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	Please review the AHSR that was transmitted to you on April 7, 2003 and return comments by June 11, 2003 so that "we may proceed with the SHPO process."
July 28, 2003 email	LaRae Buckskin, Cultural Resources, Heritage Tribal Office, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	Denise Stark, District five Environmental Planner, ITD	Comments on the AHSR; blasting will impact the petroglyphs, C-22 will be adversely impacted if construction proceeds through this area-moving them will also be adverse, this does not constitute gov't to gov't consultation.

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March 29, 2005	Mark Snyder, ITD District 5 Project Manager	LaRae Buckskin, Cultural Resources, Heritage Tribal Office, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	Letter advising that EA will be provided to the Tribes following release of the document for public comment.
May 2, 2005	Mark Snyder, ITD District 5 Project Manager	LaRae Buckskin, Cultural Resources, Heritage Tribal Office, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	Telephone Conversation - Discussed FHWA review of the EA raised questions concerning government to government consultation. Also discussed how the Tribes deal with cultural resources internally.
May 12, 2005	Mark Snyder, ITD District 5 Project Manager	LaRae Buckskin, Cultural Resources, Heritage Tribal Office, Shoshone-Bannock Tribes	Telephone Conversation - Informed the Tribes that the EA will be provided to them following release of the document for public comment by FHWA. Reiterated the changes to the Leo-Harper tie-in alignment and that Shoshoni South had been dropped as an alternative.

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